1: Heimann, Max. Die Cayapa-Indianer [The Cayapa Indians]. Zeitschrift für Ethnologie, Vol. 63, pp. 281-287. Berlin: Julius Springer for the Berliner Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie und Urgeschichte, 1932.

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Translated from the German for the Human Relations Area Files by Mrs. Ruth Horine.

[This is a short, rather impressionistic and idealized account of the Cayapa Indians and their culture during the first part of the twentieth century. It includes brief sketches of their physical appearance, their manners in visiting a Colombian town, marriage customs, clothing, housing and child care. The author, a business man, lived in southwest Colombia for 35 years and was a German Vice-Consul for part of that time. He never visited a Cayapa village, but observed them in town and received reports from employees who had visited their towns. --Analyst]

Field date: 1895-1930
Analyst: Timothy J. O'Leary

Evaluation: Foreign Resident-4, 5
Processed in 1957

2: Murra, John. The Cayapa and Colorado. Bureau of American Ethnology, Bulletin, No. 143, Vol. 6, pp. 277-291. Washington: Smithsonian Institution, 1948. 6 plates. HRAF copy.

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[This article, by a social anthropologist, is taken from the Handbook of South American Indians. It gives very brief accounts of history, subsistence, settlements, clothing, manufactures, transportation, economics, socio-political organization, religion, life cycle and esthetics. The author is now teaching at Vassar College. --Analyst]

Field date: no date
Analyst: Timothy J. O'Leary

Evaluation: Social Anthropologist-6
Processed in 1957

3: Barrett, Samuel Alfred. The Cayapa Indians of Ecuador. Indian Notes and Monographs, No. 40, Parts I and II. New York: Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, 1925.

(First volume) pp. xvi, 1-181; plates 1-90; text figures 1-13; 1 map. (Second volume) pp. viii, 183-476; plates 91-142; text figures 14-29; 25 tables.

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[The author, for many years anthropology curator of the Milwaukee Public Museum, did much work in North American archaeology and ethnology, as well as some work in East Africa. The material in the present work was gathered by him on an expedition for the Heye Foundation. The work is primarily a descriptive study of the Cayapa, and contains very detailed material on the economic life and material culture of the people. Descriptions are given of the ceremonial life and beliefs of the Cayapa, as well as sections devoted to kinship, government, etc. The very few bibliographical references will be found in the footnotes. --Analyst]

Field date: 1908-1909
Analyst: James Leary

Evaluation: Ethnologist-5
Processed in 1957

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[The field work for this study was carried out among the Cayapa Indians of Esmeraldas Province in northwestern Ecuador, particularly those of the Punta Venado tribal group in the Río Camerones region. The author's main focus is on the area of Cayapa social control through law and government. This approach to the analysis of the data was based on the functional-realist approach to law propounded by E. Adamson Hoebel. In setting the stage for the functional interpretations, the author provides a very good summary of Cayapa culture and ecology. Five other chapters are devoted to discussions of social organization, courtship and marriage, deviancy and law in the area of sex relations (i.e., in regard to incest, adultery and polygyny), land, property and inheritance, and the Cayapa psychological dimension. A final chapter presents his conclusions on the interpretation of his data, generally in terms of the adaptation of Cayapa legal norms to changing patterns of social customs and behavior. Information on the Negroes of Esmeraldas Province has been marked for categories 171, 177 or 186 as appropriate.]

Field date: 1959-1960
Analyst: John Beierle

Evaluation: Ethnologist-5
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